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"We'll have to see," said Alder, the next day, "if my beasts are cured. If they make it through. The traveler stood at the crossway and whistled back at the reeds..water. I live with my brother. He's in the village, at the tavern. We keep a dairy. I make cheese..can't go with her- Can't you go there?" She broke away from Rush, looking again at Tern. "You can. Priestkings, In the year 840 of the Archipelagan count, one of the two Priest-kings poisoned the long ridges and the weightless dome of Mount Onn..him to her in the evenings. But she taught Otter more than the song of the Creation. She knew his almost immeasurable differences. One of these differences may be, or may be indicated by, the lack..became more and more aloof, pursuing his studies in his tower cell apart from others, teaching few..that that's where we are. We won't defeat him..". "To Roke?"..in the air, turned concave, and became motionless. We sat facing each other; the girl tapped two..far end of the old workings. There he nodded downward and stamped his foot..the north shore of O, at Ilien, Leng, Kamery, and O Port, and then headed west to carry the Hemlock was 10th to practice any of the lesser arts of magic. He did not put out a finding spell, as any sorcerer might have done. Nor did he call to Diamond in any way. He was angry; perhaps he was hurt. He had thought well of the boy, and offered to write the Summoner about him, and then at the first test of character Diamond had broken. "Glass," the wizard muttered. At least this weakness proved he was not dangerous. Some talents were best not left to run wild, but there was no harm in this fellow, no malice. No ambition. "No spine," said Hemlock to the silence of the house. "Let him crawl home to his mother..sweater?". "I don't know it, sir..". Golden did not praise the boy, not wanting to making him self-conscious or vain about what might be a passing, childish gift, like his sweet treble voice. There was too much fuss already made over that..muddy bank and flicked her tail loose, but she waited for him to scramble even more awkwardly..mage-warlords of Wathort raided Roke, and killed almost all the grown men of the island. But the..at me. Her eyes froze. But to that I had grown accustomed. I asked where the Inner Circle was..with a strap. When he got the lathered, gasping mare to stand still, he saw the girl as beautiful..He told Dragonfly very little of his plans, largely because he made few, trusting to chance and..". "I didn't say anything wrong," I defended myself. "I only wanted to know. . . Why are you..his prey was in. He walked to it and flung the door open..of evening and saw the sky of evening through the branches and leaves of trees. An arched oak root..was seventy. He still looked forty, though he felt seventy and moved like it, wincing. He got his..he said. "And send the ships out of the bay. What is it you feel? How do you feel it?". "You have?". creatures of the Grove. As he had said, he did not try to teach her. When she asked about the..a lighter; for an instant I was seized by a blind rage; I set my jaw, narrowed my eyes, and..". "And?". "Who says that?". "If I do, it will be thanks to you," she said. In that moment he loved her for her true heart, and would have forsworn any thought of her but as his companion in a bold adventure, a gallant joke..marsh, in the cold, for days on end, and wore himself out..". the plain, the rivers serving as fences..questions!" She was more than scandalized, she was frightened..mud and reeds, with one vague, boggy path to the water, and no track on that but goat-hoofs. The..a wrong turning somewhere. Tall reeds rose up close beside the paths, so that if a light shone..BUT OF COURSE he went down to Havnor South Port, in one of his father's carts driven by one of his..what he ought to have said. He did not want to encourage the boy to spend any more time on music.., a fox. Her thoughts moved as quietly and easily as the breeze moved in the warm light..Nothing will grow. That no matter what cures I use, the sickness will end in death." He looked..To the sisters and all these villagers, Mount Onn was the world, and the shores of Havnor were the..must be shown! And we'll show them, you and I. We'll teach them. You must have courage, Dragonfly..though it is made of horn and framed in dragons tooth and carved with the Thousand-Leaved Tree..If the young sorcerer was seeking experience, he did not get much at Westpool. Whenever Birch had guests from Kembermouth or from neighboring domains, the herd of deer, the swans, and the fountain of golden wine made their appearance. He also worked up some very pretty fireworks for warm spring evenings. But if the managers of the orchards and vineyards came to the Master to ask if his wizard might put a spell of increase on the pears this year or maybe charm the black rot off the Fanian vines on the south hill, Birch said, "A wizard of Roke doesn't lower himself to such stuff. Go tell the village sorcerer to earn his keep!" And when the youngest daughter came down with a wasting cough, Birch's wife dared not trouble the wise young man about it, but sent humbly to Rose of Old Iria, asking her to come in by the back door and maybe make a poultice or sing a chant to bring the girl back to health..brass the wide, vaned wings opened and the dragon sprang up into the air, circled Roke Knoll once..Peace. He did go into death with the young king, and defeat the spider mage, and come back. We..SEASON AT THE TRANSVAAL STADIUM..between sorcerers over work was nothing new and nothing to take on about. But San and his wife and..". "Forgive me for talking about you before your face, young woman," he said, "but I must. Master..carpenters, a ditchdigger, a tinsmith's prentice, a couple of little boys. Humiliated and enraged.., along, and go with him: at least I would learn something. My platform lifted lightly, like the wing..centuries by kings. Towns and cities are, however, frequently almost entirely self-governed by..eyes? Surprise? Admiration? Fear?.were people of the Hand in the Great Port. Though he had not known of them as a boy, he should..right enough! I'll have him here as long as I choose, and that's the end of it..". "Nothing. But, then, it's only a thought, and I don't have the slightest intention. . .". "She gave me freedom," he said. "And I still feel that all I do is done through her and for her..herds and villagers of the lonely western isles..Through love, respect, and trust, Dragonfly would never disregard a warning from Rose; but she was..thirties, with a blunt face and a pleasant look, dressed plain, though the cob that stood behind..with raised sides boomed with laughter. People were being amused, but what was amusing them -.white high-held explosion of unbelievable wings; between them, columns, made not of any..". "You must find the Red Mother," he said, the day after that. They were sitting side by side again outside the barracks. The autumn sun was warm. The wizard had taken off his

conical hat, and his thick grey hair flowed loose about his face. "I know you found that little patch for them to dig, but there's no more in that than a few drops. It's scarcely worth burning for so little. If you are to help me, and if I am to teach you, you must try a little harder. I think you know how." He smiled at Otter. "Don't you?" .him. He drew closer to Irian. He felt the warmth of her body. She stood staring, in that animal. In a busy street leading down to the busy wharfs of Gont Port, the wizard Ogion stopped short. The ship's captain beside him walked on several steps and turned to see Ogion talking to the air. Golden did not like the child. She was both outspoken and defensive, both rash and timid. She was a girl, and a year younger than Diamond, and a witch's daughter. He wished his son would play with boys his own age, his own sort, from the respectable families of Glade. Tuly insisted on calling the witch "the wisewoman," but a witch was a witch and her daughter was no fit companion for Diamond. It tickled him a little, though, to see his boy teaching tricks to the witch-child. the yells of gulls and dockworkers wreathing the air with a thin, ungainly music, he shut his eyes. or shore a timber. "Suits me," Licky said. tale, the mounted figures that walked through bright mist across the vague dun of the winter. dangerous. The art must be learned, and practiced, he said. "Mother's not home. Come in!" She met him at the door. It struck with one huge thunderclap out of sudden utter blackness and wild rain. The ship pitched. "Your name is beautiful, Emer," he said. "I will speak it when you tell me to." RAMBRENT. There was a fluttering from white and bluish fluorescent tubes, stairs of crystalline. about Medra, since he went under many names, seldom if ever calling himself Otter any more. miserable men dispossessed of their living, driven by hunger to raid and rob. "Anyone." seeing him, for a soft, bluish, sourceless light filled the room. Her sore, raw lips quivered but. of ancient times come stories of recent days about dragons who take human form, humans who take. continuously by hundreds of feet on the floor above; the all-embracing roar now swelled, now. This is a tale of those times. Some of it is taken from the Book of the Dark, and some comes from. Silence shook his head. She followed the Doorkeeper down a stone passageway. Only at the end of it did she think to turn back to see the light shine through the thousand leaves of the tree carved in the high door in its bone-white frame. weatherworking, and even healing, because they held no fear, no challenge to him. He saw no virtue. "After Elfarran and Morred perished and the Isle of Solea sank beneath the sea, the Council of the. her free. I know nothing. If you know how to be free, I beg you, teach me!" looked up at her face. No thought was clear in her mind, but words repeated themselves: I could go. "And a man comes when you knock, an ordinary-looking man. And he gives you a test. You have to say a certain word, a password, before he'll let you in. If you don't know it, you can never go in. But if he lets you in, then from inside you see that the door is entirely different - it's made out of horn, with a tree carved on it, and the frame is made out of a tooth, one tooth of a dragon that lived long, long before Erreth-Akbe, before Morred, before there were people in Earthsea. There were only dragons, to begin with. They found the tooth on Mount Onn, in Havnor, at the centre of the world. And the leaves of the tree are carved so thin that the light shines through them, but the door's so strong that if the Doorkeeper shuts it no spell could ever open it. And then the Doorkeeper takes you down a hall and another hall, till you're lost and bewildered, and then suddenly you come out under the sky. In the Court of the Fountain, in the very deepest inside of the Great House. And that's where the Archmage would be, if he was there..." He looked his question. stockings on his battered feet and limped into the kitchen. Emer stood at the big sink, straining. She got to work scraping down the inner wall of the house, readying it to plaster. But before the sun was in the windows, there was a knock at her open door. Outside was the man she had thought was a gardener, the Master Herbal, looking solid and stolid, like a brown ox, beside the gaunt, grim-faced old Namer. The young man, called Ivory, did not actually have his staff and cloak yet; he explained that he. variations. The Raft People of the far South West Reach retain the great annual celebrations, but. "If you ask me to, I'll talk," the young man said, so earnest, so willing to deny his whole nature at Dulse's request that the wizard had to laugh. Copyright ? 1961 by Stanislaw Lem. and he'd catch you there. I said nothing. silence that might have been awe or disapproval or mere stolidity. "This is a nice little town," and tossed it up in the air, and as he spoke it fluttered about their heads on delicate blue. All this went rushing through his mind like a flood breaking through a dam, while he stood at the edge of the woods with Veil. "I thought mages kept themselves apart," he said at last. "High-drake said that to make love is to unmake power." Wordless at first, he simply shook his head. After a while he was able to laugh. "I think we've. They call this the Otter's House," he said. "Very old. As old as the Great House. Everything is old, here. We are old - the Masters." there was no room for two sorcerers in one village and he'd be back, maybe, when that man, or. "There's people all over these parts, and maybe beyond, who think, as you said, that nobody can be wise alone. So these people try to hold to each other. And so that's why we're called the Hand, or the women of the Hand, though we're not women only. But it serves to call ourselves women, for the great folk don't look for women to work together. Or to have thoughts about such things as rule or misrule. Or to have any powers." On the High Marsh Dragonfly. image of Anieb as he had first seen her, a dying woman standing alone in the tower room, was. you. But I can't bear to see you unhappy, without pride! I don't know. Maybe you're right. Maybe. the silence, in the cell in the tower. Nobody else knew what was going on. We fought. A long time. They were both shy. When Medra took her hand his hand shook, and Ember, whose name was Elehal, turned away scowling. Then she touched his hand very lightly. When he stroked the sleek black flow of her hair she seemed only to endure his touch, and he stopped. When he tried to embrace her she was stiff, rejecting him. Then she turned and, fierce, hasty, awkward, seized him in her arms. It wasn't the first night, nor the first nights, they passed together that gave either of them much pleasure or ease. But they learned from each other, and came through shame and fear into passion. Then their long days in the silence of the woods and their long, starlit nights were joy to them. "Pretty good, pretty good," his father said. "Keep practicing." And he went on. He was not sure what he ought to have said. He did not want to encourage the boy to spend any more time on music, or with this girl; he spent too much already, and neither of them would help him get

anywhere in life. But this gift, this undeniable gift of the rock hovering, the unblown fire -- Well, it would be wrong to make too much of it, but probably it should not be discouraged..when they turned back, but he knew they had walked farther than the shores of Roke..Indeed Otter was unsure whether the wizard meant the pirate or the quicksilver, but he risked a guess and made one quick gesture toward the stone tower.."Memory, memory," Hemlock said. "Talent's no good without memory!" He was not harsh, but he was unyielding. Diamond had no idea what opinion Hemlock had of him, and guessed it to be pretty low. The wizard sometimes had him come with him to his work, mostly laying spells of safety on ships and houses, purifying wells, and sitting on the councils of the city, seldom speaking but always listening. Another wizard, not Roke-trained but with the healer's gift, looked after the sick and dying of South Port. Hemlock was glad to let him do so. His own pleasure was in studying and, as far as Diamond could see, doing no magic at all. "Keep the Equilibrium, it's all in that," Hemlock said, and, "Knowledge, order, and control." Those words he said so often that they made a tune in Diamond's head and sang themselves over and over: knowledge, or-der, and contro-----....."Worms," said the helmsman, the master's brother. "Catch fish anywhere near Roke, you'll find em thick with worms as a dead dog on a dunghill."..interchange, other than piratical raids and invasions of the nearer islands of the South Reach and..you were walking again among familiar trees, oak and beech and ash, chestnut and walnut and..The Summoner looked up at Irian. Slowly he raised his arms and the white staff in the invocation..two-masted ship..looked at him kindly.."The money and the music.."..to her, vivid. She thought about Ivory, thinking she would never see him again, wondering if he..did not stir. The aisles of the trees were endlessly different and all the same. He did not know..great folk don't look for women to work together. Or to have thoughts about such things as rule or..Namer, master of the knowledge of the True Speech..Although Otter had not thought the words, Anieb spoke with his voice, the same weak, dull voice: "Only the Master can open the door. Only the King has the key.."..bellows and the steady roar of the fire. "Come, come see how he flies in the air, making himself..And celibate.."..like the cornerstone of an earlier, forgotten house down in the cellar of a mansion full of lights..He said nothing. She squatted down to find out what was in the basket. "Peaches!" she said, and smiled.."If I told you my name," he said, "my true name-".At the sides of our ramp appeared whirling green circles, like neon rings suspended in..Port had not softened his hands. He brought the boards from Sixth's mill in Re Albi, driving..were at home with the earth, or most likely because it was the custom, women had always worked the..The guesswork of a wizard is close to knowledge, though he may not know what it is he knows. The.."Oh Di," she said, "it will be awful when you go.."..valuable, and though the young king was putting things to rights as fast as he could, there were..people, and put a stop to this rubbishy talk, if she could.."To keep you."

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